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**SUMMARY.**

The general impression in Germany regarding Austria's answer is that it is a very bold and flat refusal to end the war.

This is especially regretted, it is declared, for the sake of neutrals, who are suffering from the war.

The first refusal of Spain to support President Wilson has enraged the German public in Madrid.

In addition to the Wilson Peace Note, America hinted that the time for a peace move was ripe.

A dominant note of satisfaction pervaded the whole continent to those who give a thought to the unique shipping advantages which have accrued to America on ordering ships and an additional \$1 in the allowance for cash.

The Germans twice attacked the French advanced posts west of Auberive, in the Champagne.

They completely failed before the French machine-guns fire and grenades throwing.

To the right bank of the Meuse, north of Verdun, a strong enemy coup-de-main, east of Drocourt, completed itself.

The British patrols entered the enemy's trenches at several places eastward of Armentières.

An enemy patrol reached the British lines southwest of Pihon, but was immediately driven out.

The enemy artillery is somewhat more active than in the last week.

A British gun battery has occurred on the Loos salient, in the neighbourhood of Fauquemont and Ypres.

Portuguese officers have arrived in Paris including commandant Rautureau, chief of Staff of the Portuguese Expeditionary Army.

A Paris journal, reviewing the year's aviation work, says the Allies have carried out all front bombardments.

They have brought down nearly 500 enemy aeroplanes and 800 balloons.

Germany intends to increase her army by about 50,000 by releasing convicts for enlistment.

A Russian official message says:

"A German offensive south of Pinsk is reported."

The enemy has again crossed the Rubicon, the frontier of the Austrian frontier, but the Russians maintained their positions.

The Roumanians, however, were obliged to retire in the region of Patras, west of Foucaud.

The enemy attempted to advance in Roumania, but the Russians compelled them to retire in disorder.

Twenty-three enemy battalions attacked the Roumanians and Romanians in the Dobrogea, and compelled them to retire to their native land.

The Germans claim to have defeated the Roumanians in the northern part of Great Wallachia.

An Austrian official message states that the Austro-Germans are fighting their way in the upper valleys of Zabala and Narvik.

"Our battalions are still intact," it states, "defended every foot of ground."

The Entente's Note to Greece demands the handing over of the artillery camp and the whole of the Greek army.

An apology for the events of December 1 is given, and the duration of imprisoned Venetians, also are required.

The Allies intend to maintain the blockade until saturation is obtained.

Earl Granville has been appointed representative of the British Government in M. Tuncer, Foreign Minister.

In a review of the Italian operations it is pointed out that the Austrians have been fighting entirely on the defensive.

They have suffered, it is stated, three signal defeats, at Udine and at Gorizia, besides losing 42,000 prisoners.

The Italian operations in the mountain regions have everywhere been successful.

The British steamer Apaley Hall, 3852 tons, and the Russian steamer Tuskar, 3040 tons, have been sunk.

Six other vessels have been sunk, including a Greek steamer and a Norwegian vessel.

Further details regarding the disastrous flood at Clemerton show that 62 bodies have been recovered.

The town was partly washed away, immense damage being caused in the main thoroughfare, Brummond-street.

Great distress prevails. Many homeless people are being sheltered in the Roman Catholic church and convents.

Locating commenced when the flood waters began to subside, but it was steadily suppressed.

The Red Cross (Adelaide) Meagher, who recently received an award yesterday, went to see Mr. Justice Gorton.

Nine Australian nurses at the war have been decorated with the Royal Red Cross.

There is considerable interest in the farming industry throughout the Commonwealth.

It is stated that next year's wheat crop may be smaller than that of the farmers' demands are not concerned.

The absence of a farmers' representative from the Wheat Board is stated to be primarily the cause of the trouble.

The tramways during the holidays should be open to passengers with Christmas and New Year 12 months ago.

The falling of snow to Christmas and New Year's even, which fell on Sundays, did not attract crowds to the city.

Professor Morris said yesterday that it was anticipated that racing would be poor during the holidays.

In other respects he was satisfied with the way the campaign was progressing.

There was a very good response at the V.A.F. meeting yesterday.

Several men who had served in Gallipoli were among the recruits.

Reports from country centres show that matters are shaping well. Local committees are being formed everywhere.

Reports regarding the organising of women for the Red Cross were received of the State Nursing Committee yesterday.

This was felt to be so important that the committee arranged to meet again to-day to deal fully with the matter.

It is stated in an official report that tuberculosis cases are on the increase in Australia, there being 322 deaths in one year.

Victoria and Western Australia have the highest death rates from pulmonary tuberculosis.

New South Wales and South Australia come next, while Queensland and Tasmania have the lowest rates.

A campaign is proposed to secure a great reduction in the mortality from consumption by the Commonwealth.

A silent winter temperance passed across the Orange district at 1 a.m. on Monday.

Two girls named Connolly were drowned while bathing in the Manning at Wingham.

The timber schooner Swallow, which left Port Macquarie for Maryborough is reported as missing.

The Friends' Societies' demonstration at Bowral was attended by over 1000 people. There was a procession through the town.

A full 3 years of age was lost in the bush fire at Warrumbungle, from Monaro last Friday morning.

The Lord Mayor states that the City Council financial year will probably end in a substantial surplus.

A new fire service has been established between New South Wales and Port Macquarie. It is carried on by laundries.

During the first nine months of the year the value of the produce in New South Wales was not satisfactory advance.

The bulk of the output has been furnished by the droving plants.

Three thousand bags of Clarence River produce were placed on the market yesterday, at £3 per ton—an advance of £2.

At the first markets there was a heavy "carry over" from the holidays, the bulk being sent for.

Recent sultry and unsettled weather, with further scattered rain and thunderstorms, equally northerly winds.

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Photographs are to be had in Sydney, have up to ten to five hundred per cent. But our prices for country visitors are the same.

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AFTER DARK PHOTOGRAPHY.

We take photographs up to 8 p.m. daily, but on Fridays up to 9 p.m.

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68 GEORGE-STREET (next to Robert's Hotel).

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INTERSTATE EXCURSIONS.

SYDNEY TO ADELAIDE, MOUNT GAMMON, AND BROWN HILL.

MONDAY, JANUARY 5.

CHEAP TICKETS will be issued at Sydney only to passengers who have booked their tickets through the Post Office. Mail Train on MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 1917, from SYDNEY to ADELAIDE, and MOUNT GAMMON, and BROWN HILL.

Return: First-class, £2; Second-class, 6s. 6d.; Third-class, 2s. 6d. Second-class, 2s. 6d. Return: First-class, £10/10/-; Second-class, 2s. 6d. Attached, which will require to be exchanged for a single ticket for the return journey within one calendar month.

Passengers returning on such tickets will be allowed to travel by train except the Express trains.

SPECIAL CHEAP EXCURSION TO MELBOURNE.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11.

A SPECIAL EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Sydney at 2.30 p.m. on THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, arriving at Melbourne at 8.30 p.m. on Friday.

FARMS—First-class, Single, £2; Return, 6s. 6d.

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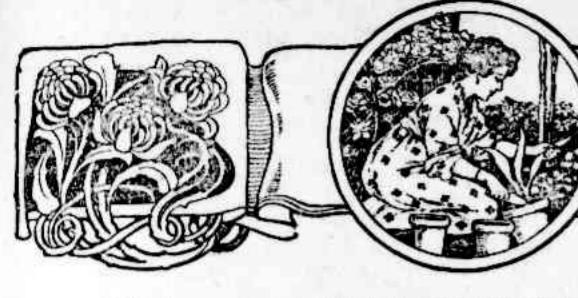
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## NOTICES.

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## THE HEAD OF THE TABLE.

The world is two years and five months past. The declaration of war has given us a harder place to live in at that time could have been possible. Yet we have kept up the best of spirits with spirit, as much perhaps for the sake of those who are away, as for those who are with us. On New Year's Day, the toast of the "Absent ones" was drunk with fervour and the vacant chair was the most honoured place at the table. "Whatever may be the head of the table, it is the heart of the table," was the heart of the proud old Highland chieftain; the head of the table was the place set for the dear one who is far away. It was a beautiful thought, that, to lay the knife, fork, plate, and napkin, and open the wine-cellar and lay it on the table, and set his chair there, so that it would come in front of him or his ride, ravenously hungry and calling for "tucker," as in the days before the deluge. At some tables there were vacant chairs. And when we drank to "A Happy New Year," all eyes were turned to those empty places, and it was not hard to find in the spirit those places really filling them.

**A Happy New Year!** — The very words sound like a mocking echo of past gladness. 1917 will be a year of stern trial. Whether it runs its full length out in the war or whether peace should come, the problem of perplexities which meet us will still be with us for the duration. For the troubles will not cease, as the days come to an end, and before they are settled, other problems arise, and these are even more pressing than the first. For the incoming problems belong to the future, and seem to become more and more insistent every day. Women must take their share, though with more difficulty than men. In this time a worn-out expression is to say that women are "in" the war just as much as men. In 1914 we used to say it in a vague kind of way; in 1917 we feel it. The war has simplified all issues. We can all feel but the one way. That feeling takes expression in making the old soldier's empty chair "the heart of the table."

"The soldier's way" is the only way to think about the war. There is not a woman's way of thinking and a man's way of thinking. There is only the one way of thinking. The war must be fought and won, and the war must be won. Women have been impressed with this view that they have joined uniform and fought like Miss Fander, and hundreds of unnamed Amazonas in Russia and Serbia. These are but drops in the ocean of the womanhood of countries at war. We need not follow their example, yet the sea dominating life which surrounds us with the power to dominate the minds of all women that anxiety, weariness, bewilderment, pessimism can all be banished and tail behind us with the old year.

While we welcome the coming, we are spending the parting gush. Recruits are being sent off to the front, and we are welcoming home the wounded, and trying hard for a plan to settle the soldiers when they shall all come trooping victoriously home. Those are the problems for 1917. The past, the present, and the future have to be planned for. Responsibility to the soldier already gone, responsibility to the soldier still gone, responsibility to the soldier who is to go in 1917. Yet they are not three responsibilities, but one responsibility. Past, present, and future are all united in one mind. Now, the time of opportunity, once gone, lost for ever.

The soldier's place at table is the head, the heart, the man of the moment. We women must keep him in mind, as we do, and as we have done, not only by working for him and sending him comforts, but by doing everything in our power to let the world see that all Australia cares for now is to win the war.

## WOMEN AND RECRUITING.

Many appeals are being made at the present time to women to use their undoubtedly great influence in the matter of recruiting. Let us all do our bit, and help to make the world a better place for all.

We know that man who puts his own interests before those of others, and refuses to enlist as those are treated who are found cheating, or otherwise disowning the "grand old name of gentleman."

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We can absent ourselves from race meetings, where they are thick on the ground, and other social functions which they attend. Above all, we can refuse to be present at the wedding of any of these slackers, who are not prepared instead of going to the front, that deliberately cover their default. Let us offer the bride congratulations instead of congratulations for what happiness is in store for her with a man who "loves not honour more." How can a man protect a wife who will not defend his country?

In short, we can, if we are brave and determined, change the world.

"These be drastic methods," you say. Well, it must be remembered that drastic evils require drastic remedies, and just how drastic the present evil is now of us seem to realize. If each woman in her own sphere would act as directed, there would soon be a boom in recruits. Such an atmosphere would be created that self-respecting person could live in it, unless he had done something to deserve it.

For instance, the public restaurants, and especially among to maintain a healthy public opinion on the subject, stating that tendency to extreme temperance-habits which precludes one "hurting anyone's feelings," and losing some of that over-politeness which bids us smile in a friendly fashion to those whom we love in our hearts despite the fact that we are the man who puts his own interests before those of others, and refuses to enlist as those are treated who are found cheating, or otherwise disowning the "grand old name of gentleman."

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Mr. M. S. Ansari, of Worcester, has donated a silver trophy and a silver table vase, the whole proceeds to be given to the Soldiers' Wives and Nurses Fund on the 1st of January.

## FOR THE WRISTLET WATCH.

A particularly pretty fashion for a wristlet watch is to replace the usual leather strap with one of white or coloured linen, to match the costume. These straps are not difficult to make, are very quickly adjusted, and possess the great advantage of being easily removed, so that it is possible to have a fresh strap always ready for wear with each costume.

Before beginning to make the strap, it is better to cut a paper pattern as a guide. Take a strip of paper 10 inches long, and seven-eighths of an inch wide. Measure at the edges, so that the strap measures seven-eighths of an inch wide, and the fold edge is one-eighth of an inch and a quarter of the fold of the paper, and then gradually slope towards the outer edge, so that the strap measures seven-eighths of an inch wide with the fold and half an inch wide at the ends. The widest portion is where the strap is to be worn.

The above measurements must be adhered to in the size of the watch. For instance, if the latter is very small, it will be necessary to make the strap narrower to enable it to pass through the loops at the sides of the watch. Now take the length of the strap end of the strap, and open the edges, so that the strap is loose, and then allow a double strip of linen seven-eighths of an inch wide to be made into the loop, so that the strap is one-eighth of an inch wide at the ends. Turn in the edges all around, and point each end of the strap along the edges with a sewing machine, keeping as close to the edge as possible. Make a buttonhole hole, half inch in length, at a distance of seven-eighths of an inch from the strap end of the strap, and work a series of eyelet holes, beginning at about one and a half inches from the other end. A double strip of linen seven-eighths of an inch wide is made into the loop, so that the eyelet end is kept in position after the strap is completed.

The strap is now completed, and all that remains to be done is to slip the ends through the loops at the side of the watch, and adjust the buckle by putting the tongue through the buttonhole at the short end of the strap, which is then turned back and stitched into place with a needle and thread. Put the strap on a sewing machine, keeping as close to the edge as possible. Make a buttonhole hole, half inch in length, at a distance of seven-eighths of an inch from the strap end of the strap, and work a series of eyelet holes, beginning at about one and a half inches from the other end. A double strip of linen seven-eighths of an inch wide is made into the loop, so that the eyelet end is kept in position after the strap is completed, and all that remains to be done is to slip the ends through the loops at the side of the watch, and adjust the buckle by putting the tongue through the buttonhole at the short end of the strap, which is then turned back and stitched into place with a needle and thread. Put the strap on a sewing machine, keeping as close to the edge as possible. Make a buttonhole hole, half inch in length, at a distance of seven-eighths of an inch from the strap end of the strap, and work a series of eyelet holes, beginning at about one and a half inches from the other end. A double strip of linen seven-eighths of an inch wide is made into the loop, so that the eyelet end is kept in position after the strap is completed.

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Sydney is unblissed as yet with a "Visiting Nurse Association," and as has been trained Nurses Association, and has not with your success and appreciation. Individual nurses here sometimes try the plan of visiting two or more patients during the day, and wherever it has been done the practice has been most helpful. The idea of "visiting nurse" connects itself in the minds of the majority with charity, but skinned the visiting nurses of Victoria supplies, and so that it is possible to have a fresh strap always ready for wear with each costume.

It is more than exaggerating that every New Year we hear of the same old "destruction of surplus market fruit" at the City Council tip destructor, when all the time the housekeeper is paying 2s. 6d. and 2s. 10d. for ripe fruit. Would it not be better to sell the fruit by the case, instead of the dozen, and so allow children to reap the benefit of the summer glut? Such a course would seem reasonable to those who work under orders, and to the vendor, who would be the underpaid independent.

Another rule forbids a nurse to visit contagious cases. Every movement of the association is made under the full approval of the medical profession, the object of its establishment being that it may be possible for intermediary cases to have skilled nursing attendance.

Miss Primrose, the organising hon. secretary of the Melbourne association, was herself for several years a visiting nurse. She drives her own little car. The scale of fees runs as follows—Single visits, 3s to 8s; continuing visits, 6d to 2s; operations, 10s; and maternity cases (10 days' attendance), 2s to 6s.

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## THE GOLDEN KEY.

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CHAPTER XXV.—Continued.

"Now," Tony returned with a certain grimness, "I must say I am not a portrait of Redburn himself now; to match the one of his wife, and I want to get one of little Miss Dunbar to send out to him, who appears to have taken up in the East."

"Only hope he has," Miss Dunbar exclaimed, with a fervour which made her look like a child again. "I could not bear to give up the child now, Tony, she is such a dear baby!"

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## NOTES.

**BROWN**—December 28, 1916, at Jenner Hospital, Patric Point, the wife of Captain K. S. Macfarlane, A.M.C.—son, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Smith, of 42 Herne Street's, St. Peters, Liverpool; son-in-law, Alexander to Mr. and Mrs. R. Burton, 42 Albany-road, Stansmore—a daughter, (survived two days).

**BUTCHER**—December 28, at Nurses' Home's private residence, Johnston-street, Annandale, the wife of W. A. Blennerup—a son.

**CARLTON**—December 28, at Norfolk Pine Hotel, Carlton, Melbourne, the wife of Fred. J. Callaghan, a daughter.

**CATTELL**—December 28, to Mr. and Mrs. William Cattell, 100 Pitt-street, Sydney, Australia, and a son (John Albert Llewellyn).

**COLLINGSON** (nee Mary McChesney)—At her residence, Lansdowne, Woodville, Tasmania, the wife of Eric H. Collings, of a daughter.

**COOK** (nee Monica Stewart)—December 14, 1916, at Nurses' Home, St. Peters, the wife of Captain W. G. Cook, a daughter (Jessie Morna).

**LATTON**—December 28, 1916, at her residence, The Bridge, No. 1, Ermington, Newtown, the wife of Mr. Vernon Latton—two sons.

**MURKIN**—December 28, 1916, at Nurses' Hospital, Matilda (Mabel) James, December 28, 1916, at Nurses' Hospital, Paddington, New South Wales, the wife of Captain Michael Murkin, a daughter.

**MURKIN** (nee T. H. Hartley)—December 28, 1916, at 11 London-street, Enmore, to the wife of Mr. J. G. Sugihara—a daughter. Both well doing.

**NEEDHAM**—December 28, 1916, at Nurses' Hospital, Paddington, New South Wales, the wife of Captain Michael Needham, a son (Joseph Ignatius Noel).

**SHERRIFF**—December 28, 1916, at Lindsay-street, Paddington, the wife of Percy J. Turner, of New River, Fiji—a daughter.

**WEEDEK**—December 28, 1916, at Rosedale, Gympie, to Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Weeks—a son.

## MARRIAGES.

**WALKER-PRUHN**—November 3, 1916, at St. Philip's, Sydney, by the Rev. Canon Bellington, Vicar of St. Philip's, Walker, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pruhn, of Victoria, Victoria, the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Truman, Strathmerton, North Sydney.

## GOLDEN WEDDINGS.

**BLOWER-KYLE**—January 2, 1917, at East Bradford Station (Vic.), by Rev. J. D. Jones, Anglican Minister, Blower, a son (John Blower), Mary, only daughter of late Captain Kyle, of Warrnambool, N.W.R.

## ROLL OF HONOUR.

**HARVEY**—Died of wounds in France, November 14, 1916, Private J. W. (Jack) Hardy. And did it well, his friends say. Inserted by his loving friend, May.

**JOHNSON**—Private Harvey, died Nov. 25, 1916, from wounds received in France. For King and country. Inserted by his loving wife, Alice Jones.

**JONES**—Frank Jones, died Dec. 22, 1916, from wounds received in France. His beloved son, his brother, Private Stephen Jones (now on active service).

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## DEATHS.

**ADAMS**—January 2, 1917, at William-street, Double Bay, Sydney, a dear-loving husband of Emily May, Oliver, Anderson, and a son (John), aged 22 years.

**BARNES**—January 2, 1917, at a private hospital, Darlingside, James Edward, beloved husband of Mrs. J. M. Barnes, aged 60 years.

**CAMPBELL**—December 31, 1916, Alex. Alister, beloved and only child of F. Campbell, of 100 Pitt-street, Sydney.

**DEAN**—Miss M. H. Dean, 105 St. Vincent's Hospital, Darlinghurst, Charlotte, relict of the late Charles Elphinstone, of Glenorie, and a son (John), Ealing, Middlesex, England, aged seven years.

**EVANS**—December 27, accidentally drowned at Paon Canal, Cape Petrel, French Polynesia. Middle Harbour, and father of Dorothy and Ernest Podey.

**FATHIAN**—January 1, 1917, at 12 Heybridge Avenue, Ashfield (formerly of Hackney, Admaston-road, Shropshire), Willibald, relict of the late Mrs. Marianne Starigan, aged 72 years. R.I.P.

**KIGHT**—January 1, 1917, at his parents' residence, Addiscombe, George Kight, aged 20 years.

**LITTLE**—January 2, at Greyfriars Hospital, Warren Walk, beloved infant son of Bertie and Mrs. Little, aged 2 months.

**MAHALM**—Infant daughter of James and Linda Mahalim, beloved infant daughter of James and Linda Mahalim.

**MOLON**—Francis H. Molon (of Pensterton, Yorks.), at Keilor, Sammerville, died Dec. 28, 1916, in his 20th year. His beloved parents, con.

**PATTERSON**—December 22, at Lintern, Blythway, Willam, a dear beloved brother of Mrs. Daisy, Cally, Patterson, and a son (John), aged 22 years.

**TURNER**—December 22, 1916, at Lindsay-street, Gladys, June, Mary, inland district, Tasmania, Fiji, Fiji, aged 2 days.

**WILLIAMS**—December 22, 1916, at his residence, 120 Oxford-street, Paddington, London, beloved husband of Elizabeth Turner, father of Percy, Fred, and the late Ned Williams. Williams, aged 24, a long and peaceful sufferer.

**IN MEMORIAM.**

**ADAMS**—In loving memory of my dear sister, Eva, who departed this life January 3, 1915, inserted by her loving brother, Arthur.

**ADAMS**—In loving memory of my darling little daughter, Henrietta Elsie, who departed this life Jan. 3, at Marrickville, aged 7 years and 11 months.

All her pretty little ways.  
Have been lost to us forever.  
The home she passed away.

Inserted by her surviving mother, Margaret Bailey.

**BAILEY**—In memory of Mary Jane, who died January 3, 1916.

In the arms of Jesus.  
Inserted by her loving mother, father, and sister, Reg. and Kitty, and Ruby Bates.

**BEATTY**—In loving memory of our dear sister-in-law, Mrs. Beatty, who departed this life January 3, 1916, inserted by J. W. and Elizabeth Taylor, and George, Fred, and Ivy, Goss, but not Elizabeth.

**BEATTY**—In loving memory of our dear sister-in-law, Mrs. Beatty, who departed this life January 3, 1916, inserted by her loving son and brother, Ernest William, who departed this life January 3, 1916, aged 22 years.

**BLANDFORD**—In loving memory of dear Joe, who departed this life January 3, 1916.

God rest his soul in heaven, Arilla.

**BLANDFORD**—In sad but loving memory of my dearly beloved husband, Ernest, and a son (John), inserted by his loving wife, Ruby.

**BLANDFORD**—In loving memory of my dear son, Henry, George, who passed away January 3, 1916. Inserted by his loving son-in-law, in law, Elton Blandford.

**BLANDFORD**—In loving memory of Michael Brennan, who departed this life January 3, 1916, at his home in Ireland, by his surviving wife and family.

**BLANDFORD**—In loving memory of my dear father, Mr. Brennan, who departed this life January 3, 1916, inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, Elsie and Eddie.

**BLANDFORD**—In loving memory of my dear son, Eddie, and his wife, Elizabeth, and their children, John and Mary.

**BLANDFORD**—In loving memory of our dear father, Mr. Blandford, who passed away January 3, 1916, inserted by his wife, Elizabeth, and their children, John and Mary.

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**PORTUGUESE ARMY FOR FRANCE FIRST UNITS ARRIVING**

**GREECE ALLIES INSIST ON REPARATION**

**ROUMANIA ENEMY PRESSING ON**

The first units of the Portuguese army which is proceeding to the West front to join the Allies have arrived in France.

The Allies have presented a very firm Note to Greece, demanding, under pain of continuing the blockade, the removal of all possible dangers to the Salonica army, the liberation of Venizelists, and reparation for the recent Royalist outrages.

The enemy has gained some further successes in violent fighting in Roumania.

Viscount French, in an interview, warned neutral nations adjacent to Germany that they are in danger of being overrun.

**WESTERN FRONT.**

LONDON, Jan. 2.—A French communiqué issued on Monday afternoon stated:—After a violent bombardment by trench engines, the enemy twice attacked our advanced posts west of Auberive, in the Champagne, but completely failed before our machine gun fire and grenade throwing.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reported at midnight on Monday, says:—Our patrols entered the enemy's trenches in several places eastward of Auberive. An enemy patrol reached our lines southward of Pilley, and was immediately driven off. Our artillery is somewhat more active northward of the Aisne. There was brisk reciprocal artillery fire in the Lys salient, and in the neighbourhood of Fauquissart and Ypres.

**ATTACK AT VERDUN.**

A French communiqué issued at midnight on Monday says:—North of Verdun a strong enemy coup de main, east of Des Chambrettes, completely failed.

It has been relatively quiet elsewhere.

**900 ENEMY AEROPLANES BROUGHT DOWN IN 1916.**

PARIS, Jan. 1.—The "Guerre Aérienne," reviewing the year's aviation work, says that the Allies have carried out in all three thousand of the war's 750 bombardments. They have brought down nearly 900 aeroplanes and 81 kite balloons.

**ITALY AND AUSTRIA ENEMY'S LOSSES.**

LONDON, Jan. 1.—The "Daily Telegraph's" Milan correspondent says that the Italian Chief Command, reviewing the operations of the past few months, points out that the Austrians have been fighting entirely on the defensive. They have suffered three signal defeats in the Carso and at Gorizia, besides losing 42,000 prisoners, 60 cannon, 200 machine guns, and a large amount of material.

The Italian operations in the mountain regions have everywhere been successful.

**SIX SHIPS SUNK.**

**SUBMARINE VICTIMS.**

LONDON, Jan. 2.—It is reported that the following steamers have been sunk by submarines:—British: Apsey Hall, 3882 tons. Russian: Tuskur, 3040 tons. Greek: Demetrios Inglesias, 2088 tons. Norwegian: Flora, 1032 tons; Eva, 1080 tons. Danish: Denmark, 1575 tons.

**PERSECUTED BELGIANS.**

PARIS, Jan. 2.—Repatriated Belgians state that the Germans punish slave-labour victims who refuse to work. They are placed in a long box, like an upstanding coffin, where it is impossible to move, for several hours. The victims are afterwards put in a cell for a time, and are then returned to the box, and the alternation continues until they are willing to obey.

**50,000 CONVICT SOLDIERS.**

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 1.—It is estimated that Germany will increase her army by about 50,000 by releasing convicts for enlistment. The order does not apply to the worst class of criminals.

**NEUTRALS WARNED.**

**MAY BE OVERRUN.**  
**VISCOUNT FRENCH'S FEARS.**

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Viscount French, in an interview granted to a "Chicago Daily News" correspondent, said that neutral states adjacent to Germany are in danger of being overrun. He stated that the Germans, by impressing Belgians, Poles, and Roumanians to make field fortifications, were able immediately to strengthen their fighting fronts. Similarly, Germany's strength would be increased if she subjugated Holland, Denmark, and Norway.

It had cost the Allies, roughly, \$22,000,000 to feed Belgium. The Allies had lost twelve relief ships owing to the illegal sowing of German mines on the Dutch coast. The Germans, also, had financially robbery. Relium, of \$100,000,000. The Allies had relieved Germany of the responsibility of feeding those whom, otherwise, the enemy would have been compelled to feed or deport wholesale, since it was impossible, from a military standpoint, to have a starving population on the lines of communication.

**PORTUGUESE ARMY ARRIVING IN FRANCE.**

**TO JOIN THE ALLIES.**

PARIS, Jan. 2.—Portuguese officers have arrived in France, including Commandant Robert Baptista, Chief of Staff of the Portuguese Expeditionary Army, which General Targini commands.

Aviators and medical services have also arrived.

The Portuguese general headquarters have been established in the Portuguese legation in Paris.

Portugal formally entered the war on the side of the Allies early in November, and has since been serving as an Expeditionary Force for service in France. The size of the Portuguese army has not been disclosed.

**ORGANISING BRITAIN FOOD PRODUCTION.**

**10,000 GERMANS TO BE USED.**

LONDON, Jan. 2.—About 10,000 German prisoners are available to work agricultural land.

Mr. H. E. Prothero, the new President of the Board of Agriculture, is hard at work preparing a scheme to increase home-grown supplies of food. He intends to utilise all German prisoners skilled in agriculture. The men will start work in Cornwall and Devon, where spring sowing operations begin earlier than elsewhere, and work their way northwards.

The idea is to employ the prisoners in garrisons under the direction of county war agricultural committees.

The National Agricultural Labourers' Union is asking the Government to fix a minimum wage of 30s for farm workers.

**ECONOMISING SHIPS.**

Sir Alfred Booth, chairman of the Cunard Line, is protesting against the continuance of the waste of tonnage. The country must reduce its imports of great staples, including cotton, wool, and wood. It must also abandon the transhipment of Greek ports by the Allies will maintained until satisfaction is obtained.

**VENIZELOS RECOGNISED.**

It is officially announced that Earl Granville (who has had a distinguished career in the diplomatic service) has been appointed the British Government's representative to M. Venizelos's provisional Government at Salonica, with the title of Diplomatic Agent.

**EFFECT OF BLOCKADE.**

A Salonican message says that Greek shipowners are suffering enormous losses owing to the blockade. Two hundred Greek steamers are held up, and they are capable of earning £100,000 daily.

**CONTROL OF WOOL.**

**ARMY ORGANISATION.**

In connection with the purchase of the Australian wool clips, the Army Council has appointed Lieut.-Col. Vernon Willey, formerly of Messrs. Francis, Willey, and Co., of Bradford, to be Controller of Wool Supplies. His six chief assistants will include Mr. Ronald of Messrs. Burton, Ronald, and Co., and several leading Bradford men. An advisory panel will be constituted, consisting of eleven well-known members of the trade in London and Yorkshire, including Mr. Reginald Jacob, Mr. William Weddel, and Sir William Raynor, from whom sub-committees will be appointed to advise on problems arising from the purchase and distribution of wool.

**RAILWAY CHANGES.**

**NEW CONDITIONS IN BRITAIN.**

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**MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES.**

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, in his despatches, mentions the following staff officers:—General Sir William Birdwood, General Sir Alexander Godley, Colonels H. E. Elliott, McGlinn, Tivey, C. White, of Australia; Major Lampen, Lieutenant Stocker of New Zealand; Captain Finch (New Zealand Veterinary Department); the Reverend Clune, Ferrie, Miles, Stow, and Kennedy. Sisters Whipham, Dickson, Lehman, McNaughton (Australia); and 485 Australian officers and men, and 109 New Zealand officers and men.

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**LATE WAR NEWS.**

**TURKEY AND HER ALLIES.**

**CLAIMS INDEPENDENCE.**

**TREATIES DENOUNCED.**

**WASHINGON.**

A communication, which has been sent to Austria and Germany, proclaims Turkey's independence of the suzerainty of great European powers. It states: Turkey enters a group of great European powers with all her rights and prerogatives, and is entirely independent. The Turkish Government has allied itself with Austria and Germany on a footing of equality.

Turkey denounces the treaty of Paris of 1856 and the treaty of Berlin of 1878, and abolishes the special statutes of Lebanon.

The agreement arrived at in Paris in 1856 was a sequel to the disturbances in the Balkans, when Britain and France went to the assistance of Turkey against Russia, and ended with the fall of Sebastopol. By the Berlin Treaty, which was signed at Berlin, and Turkey agreed to place her Christian subjects on an equality with the Mahomedans, and effect substantial reforms in government, and to give practical effect to the principles of the Berlin Conference.

The Treaty of Berlin, in 1878, which followed the Russo-Turkish War, greatly reduced the size of Turkey. Under this treaty the Bulgarian nation was created, the independence of Servia and Montenegro was recognised, Roumania was given old Dobruja, and Austria was allowed to occupy Bosnia and Herzegovina, on Turkey's behalf.

The Dardanelles, between the Druses and the Maronites of Lebanon, the district of Lebanon was separated, and became the principality of Braila, and put under a Christian governor, becoming the "Guardians" of the new province.

**INDIA AND IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.**

**BOMBAY.**

The suggestion that India shall be represented at the Imperial Conference has delighted all classes.

The "Times of India" suggests that an Indian official be included—possibly the first native member of the Viceroy's Executive Council.

**NEW FERRY SERVICE.**

**LINE OF LAUNCHES TO MOSMAN.**

Persons alighting from the trams at Mosman Bay wharf yesterday morning were attracted by the unusual announcement, "Direct to Sydney," and the arrival of a launch, "Glenmore," at the municipal wharf nearby.

Curiosity soon discovered that a large and commodious launch, which had just ranged herself alongside, would convey a hundred passengers to Fort Macquarie at 2d each, and do the trip in 15 minutes. It was a tempting offer, particularly to the troops, who were returning from the ordinary ferry service, and a few moments later the launch moved out of the bay with every seat occupied.

This trip was really the commencement of an organised service, embracing a line of launches, between the municipal wharf at Mosman and the picnic jetty at Fort Macquarie, and will continue to run daily from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. at regular half-hour intervals.

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## MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

FINANCIAL.  
STATE ACCOUNTS.

## THE HALF-YEARS INCREASES.

A statement of accounts of revenue and expenditure of the state for the first six months of the year is to be discovered from the usual "Valette," issued yesterday, giving the revenue for the six months ended June 30, 1916, amounting to £114, representing a total area of 420,170 acres, of the value of £129,111.

Applications to buy land under the Real Property Act numbered 425, the land being declared value of £573,525.

Licenses on wool registered numbered 714, representing 1,380 sheep, the aggregate amount of the license being £225,471.

Licenses on growing crops registered numbered 1,000, representing an aggregate amount of £448,778.

To increase of the stock registered there were 262, representing 1,160,000 sheep, 72,462 horned cattle, and 100,822 horses, and the aggregate amount of mortgages was £1,076,000.

New farms, changes of constitution, ownership, etc., registered were 1,566.

## THE MORATORIUM.

## LOANS ON LIFE POLICIES.

## "Policy Holder" writes:

"Sir—Does the moratorium apply in the case of a life policy? I have a life policy and am anxious to know if it increases the rate of interest charged on it."

The moratorium does apply to advances made by a life office, or the security of a life policy, to meet the debts of a deceased person.

The moratorium has been taken advantage of by many persons, and the expenditure has increased by £18,000, the expenditure from those undertakings which do not bear interest, and the amount of a quarter of a million on account of interest to be taken into consideration.

A comparison of the expenditure may be made as follows:

EXPENDITURE SIX MONTHS.	1916-17.	1915-16.
Governmental . . . . .	£1,076,000	£1,026,000
Commercial . . . . .	2,225,471	2,048,444
Domestic under . . . . .	1,380	1,000
Total . . . . .	£3,441,471	£3,072,444

The half-years increases of £360,000.

Business in the market will start in earnest next week, the travellers went out yesterday, and the new lists of distributing prices will be made up. The houses will start their work of replenishing from local supplies.

The jute market was practically listless, save for a little business in cornsacks, spot at 9/6.

## COMMERCIAL.

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